

## Proclamation

On Sunday, December 7, 1941, the history of Hawai'i, our nation and the world were forever impacted when 2,403 American sailors, soldiers and civilians lost their lives in the attack on Pearl Harbor. Etched forever into the memory of our residents, the events of that morning created a lasting mark on our state and noted the entry of the United States into World War II.

At the height of the war, our country had ships in every ocean, planes in the air around the world and troops on five continents. During the war, more than 16 million Americans served in our Armed Forces and millions of more people contributed to the war effort in the United States.

Each year, on the seventh day of December, we honor the brave men and women who gallantly fought for our freedom and pay tribute to their heroic and life-changing efforts. These men and women hold a cherished place in our history and our hearts.

As we remember the 66th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, we pay tribute to those who lost their lives that day and remain inspired by the selfless deeds of brave Americans who preserved our liberty and fought for justice throughout the world. The courage, bravery and dedication of the men and women called to fight and assist during World War II continues today with their children and grandchildren who are currently serving in the Armed Forces, defending our country from danger and liberating the oppressed.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim December 7, 2007, as

## PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

in Hawai'i, and order the Hawai'i State flag to be displayed at half-staff in conjunction with the United States flag from sunrise to sunset.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fourth day of December 2007.

Linda Lingle

Governor, State of Hawai'i